

JOINT TEAM CONDUCTS 2ND ROUND OF EXPEDITION

Moving further into the investigation of the killing of John Allen Chau, 27 years, an American citizen, a joint team consisting of officials from Police department, Forest department, Tribal Welfare department and Coast Guard conducted a second round of expedition to the North Sentinel Island on 23/11/18. The team also took two alleged accused who are on police custody. They left in the morning and returned back in the evening to ascertain the route and possible circumstances of Chau's killing. Elaborate discussions on the possible circumstances that could have led to the killing of Chau were also held by the team. The arrested accused who accompanied the team had reportedly ferried Chau in their vessel to the North Sentinel Island for his fateful journey.

It may be recalled that John Allen Chau, was reportedly seen killed by the tribals of North Sentinel Island on 17/ 11/ 2018 and 7 accused including those who helped in ferrying Chau to the shore of North Sentinel Island have been arrested by the Andaman & Nicobar police.

Since, the Sentinelese are protected by law to preserve their way of life, due precautions were taken by the team to ensure that this particularly vulnerable tribal groups are not disturbed and distressed during this exercise.

Later, during the day, senior police officials also met experts from Anthropological Survey of India(ASI) to understand these ultra-sensitive tribes from their worldview and to guide & assist the police in furtherance of the investigation.

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